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REPLY AND AMENDMENT

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Dear Commissioner:

In reply to the non-final Office Action dated May 3, 2006, wherein this Reply is timely filed within the three-month shortened statutory period for reply, please consider the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.